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VIETNAMESE AIR SUMMARY FOR 5/1700Z TO 6/1700Z AUGUST 1972

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(ALL TIMES ZULU) PART ONE, HIGHLIGHTS A. SUMMARY 1. NVN AIR/AIR DEFENSE REACTION TO U.S. AIR STRIKES OVER NVN, 6 AUGUST. B. DETAILS 1. BETWEEN 1802 ON 5 AUGUST AND 1649 ON 6 AUGUST, NVN AIR SURVEILLANCE FACILITIES WERE NOTED TRACKING A MINIMUM OF 171 \$HOSTILE\$ AIRCRAFT OVER NVN. THESE AIRCRAFT WERE ACTIVE IN THE AREAS OF VINH, DONG HOI, PHUC YEN, HAIPHONG, THANH HOA, HANOI, AND KEP. THE AIRCRAFT WERE ALSO TRACKED DURING THEIR ENTRIES AND EXITS OF NVN AIR OVER LAOS AND THE GULF OF TONKIN. BETWEEN 0006 AND 0023, ONE RAID OF THREE B-52'S WAS TRACKED IN THE DONG HOI AND DMZ AREAS. BETWEEN 0248 AND 0305, ONE RAID OF B-52'S WAS TRACKED IN LAOS AND IN THE DONG HOI AND DMZ AREAS. BETWEEN 0414 AND 0431, ANOTHER RAID OF THREE B-52'S WAS TRACKED IN THE SAME AREAS. AT 0431 AN UNIDENTIFIED BATTALION OF THE 274TH SAM REGIMENT LOCATED IN THE DMZ AREA, LAUNCHED ONE MISSILE. AT 0442 AN UNIDENTIFIED BATTALION OF THE 285TH SAM REGIMENT, LOCATED IN THE HAIPHONG AREA, REPORTED THEY HAD \$STRUCK GOODS\$ AND AT 0446 A PARACHUTE WAS SIGHTED AND A SEARCH PARTY WAS SENT OUT TO LOOK FOR THE DOWNED PILOT. COLLATERAL INDICATES THAT AN A7B WAS HIT BY A POSSIBLE SAM AND DOWNED IN THE VICINITY OF 20-59N 106-46E AT APPROXIMATELY 0442. AT 0547 AND 0552, UNIDENTIFIED BATTALIONS OF THE 285TH SAM REGIMENT LAUNCHED MISSILES. AT 0600, AN UNIDENTIFIED BATTALION OF THE 261ST SAM REGIMENT, LOCATED IN THE HANOI AREA, REPORTED HITTING A TARGET AND THAT IT BURST INTO FLAMES AND CRASHED INTO A MOUNTAIN. AT 0635, AN UNIDENTIFIED BATTALION OF THE 285TH WAS TOLD THAT THE UNIT HAD \$STRUCK WELL\$ AND A PLANE HAD FALLEN. THE UNIT WAS TOLD TO \$SEND PEOPLE OUT TO SEARCH FOR PILOTS.\$ AT THE SAME TIME BATTALION 74 OF THE 285TH WAS GIVEN PERMISSION TO DESTROY A TARGET. AT 0647 BATTALION 74 WAS TOLD TO ACQUIRE AND DESTROY A TARGET, BUT THERE WAS NO NOTED ATTACK. NO NVAF FIGHTER REACTION WAS NOTED. PART TWO, ROUTINE ACTIVITY A. AIR ACTIVITY AT GIA LAM, TWO MIG-21 PILOTS WERE PLACED ON STRIP ALERT AND FOUR MIG-17 PILOTS CONDUCTED PRACTICE FORMATION FLIGHTS. FOUR MIG-21 PILOTS AT PHUC YEN CONDUCTED PRACTICE FORMATION FLIGHTS. ONE MI-4 PILOT CONDUCTED UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY IN THE HAO LAC AREA AND THEN FLEW FROM HOA LAC TO HANOI GIA LAM. B. SAM/AAA ACTIVITY - NTR C. RADAR ACTIVITY NVN AIR SURVEILLANCE FACILITIES WERE NOTED TRACKING THE GIANT SCALE MISSION FLOWN OVER SVN, NVN, LAOS, AND THAILAND DURING THE 0400-0600 HOURS AND THE BUFFALO HUNTER DRONE FLOWN OVER THE HANOI AREA DURING THE 0100 HOUR. THEY WERE NOT NOTED TRACKING THE DRONE FLOWN OVER THE VINH AREA DURING THE 2200 HOUR. D. COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENTS - NTR PART THREE, AIR MOVEMENTS STATISTICAL SUMMARY (THIS PORTION OF THE NORTH VIETNAMESE AIR SUMMARY WILL NOT

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PILOT NR/ACTY/ALT/ AREA/AVIONICS/COMMENTS.) A. NVAF FIGHTERS 1. GIA LAM (1)
Ø452-Ø525/ONE, MIG-21/21/STRIP ALERT/-/GIA LAM/ -/- . (2) Ø5Ø5/ONE,
MIG-21/67/STRIP ALERT/-/GIA LAM/ -/- . (3) Ø942-1Ø16/FOUR, MIG-17/PRAC FMTN/-/GIA
LAM AREA/ -/- . 2. PHUC YEN (1) Ø959-1Ø21/FOUR, MI G-21/35, 63, 82/PRAC FMTN/
-/PHUC YEN AREA/ -/- . B. NVAF BOMBERS/TACTICAL TRANSPORTS - NTR C. NVAF
TRANSPORTS - NTR D. NVAF HELICOPTERS 1. HOA LOC (1) 1Ø42-1Ø54/ONE,
MI-4/71/UNID/-/HOA LAC AREA/ -/ONL. 2. INTERAIRFIELD XXHH 9ØØ #3581 NNNN

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